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## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## HARDWARE BASED METHOD FOR DIGITAL RIGHTS MANAGEMENT INCLUDING SELF ACTIVATING/SELF AUTHENTICATION SOFTWARE,

the specification of which is being transmitted herewith;

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the following United States patent applications:

| Application Number | Filing Date    | <u>Status</u> |  |
|--------------------|----------------|---------------|--|
| 10/180,616         | June 26, 2002  | pending       |  |
| 09/535,321         | March 27, 2000 | patented      |  |
| 09/090,620         | June 4, 1998   | patented      |  |

and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in a prior application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 that occurred between the filing date of the prior applications and the filing date of this application.

I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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